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Inventors: Brehob, Curtis, and Stockhausen

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Group Art Unit: 3748

Filed: November 2, 2001

Examiner: Jaime W. Corrigan

Title: A METHOD TO CONTROL ELECTROMECHANICAL VALVES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above captioned case is at present abandoned. Applicants mailed in a petition to revive the case on January 23, 2003, which was apparently not received by the USPTO. Applicants earnestly request that application 09/682,959 be revived. Applicants herein provide documents in support of Applicants request. A true copy of the file jacket cover (electronic copy) showing all papers sent/received by Ford is included with this statement, labeled as Appendix A.

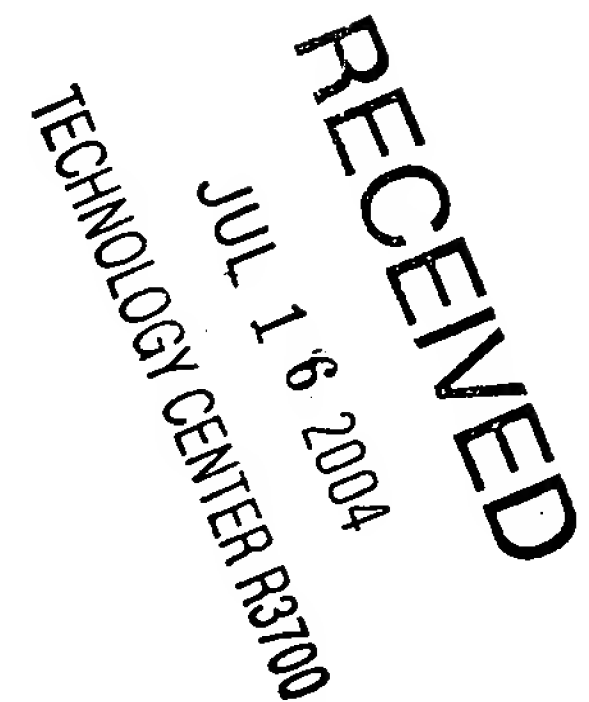
9-Dec-2002 (mailed) Notice of Abandonment mailed by USPTO to Ford

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3-Jan-2003 Power to Inspect. Ford Global Technologies obtained the services of a Washington associate who obtained the Notice of Allowance under power, Appendix B. Notice received approx. 17-Jan-2003.

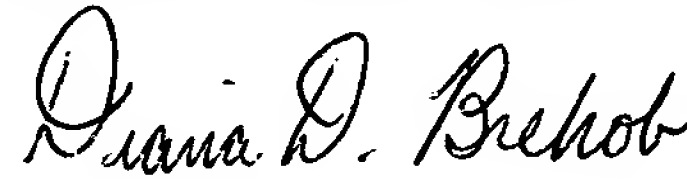
23-Jan-2003 Appendix C contains a true copy of the mailed, original Petition Requesting Withdrawal of the Holding of Abandonment. Also included in Appendix C are the documents described in the petition and submitted herewith:

- Attachment A—a copy of the issue fee docket report as of 21-Jan-2003 showing that the only issue fee due was for application no. 09/664,240, not the present application.
- An executed copy of the Fee Transmittal form.
- Corrected drawings.
- Terminal disclaimer.



Attached, as Appendix C, is a statement from Allan Lipa, the responsible attorney at the time that the Notice of Abandonment was received, indicating that he has reviewed and examined my application file copy and find no evidence of receipt of the Notice of Allowance prior to the Notice of Abandonment for application 09/682,959.

Respectfully submitted,



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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**Petition According to 37 CFR 1.181(a) Requesting  
Withdrawal of the Holding of Abandonment**

Sir:

This petition is filed in response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed 12/09/02, issued by the U.S. Patent Office to Applicants for failing to respond to the outstanding Issue Fee.

Applicants respectfully request that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn. Applicants submit that the application is not in fact abandoned because a search of the file jacket and docket records indicate that the Notice of Allowance, mailed on 7/26/02, was not received by the Attorney of Record or the office of the Attorney of Record. As evidence of the nonreceipt of the Notice of

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Allowance, a copy of the docket report, in which the nonreceived Notice of Allowance would have been entered had it been received and docketed, is attached as Attachment A.

Applicants acknowledge and agree with the Examiner's amendment accompanying the Notice of Allowance.

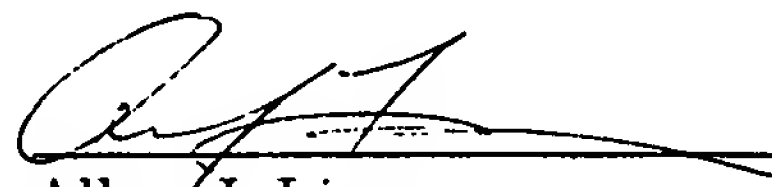
Based on the Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review, Applicants have submitted a new set of drawings to overcome the Draftperson's objections. Specifically, the Draftperson has objected to the top margin on all sheets and to connected reference numerals on Figures 2 and 3. The drawing sheets enclosed herein, containing Figures 1-7, have acceptable margins. Also, newly submitted Figures 2 and 3 have reference numerals separated.

The Issue Fee Transmittal, properly signed by applicants' attorney, is enclosed herein for filing in the case.

According to MPEP 711.03(c) I, withdrawal of abandonment is conditioned on the petition being accompanied by a terminal disclaimer; a terminal disclaimer is enclosed herein.

Please charge any cost incurred in the filing of this Petition, along with any other costs, to Deposit Account 06-1510. If there are insufficient funds in this account, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No.06-1505.

Respectfully submitted,



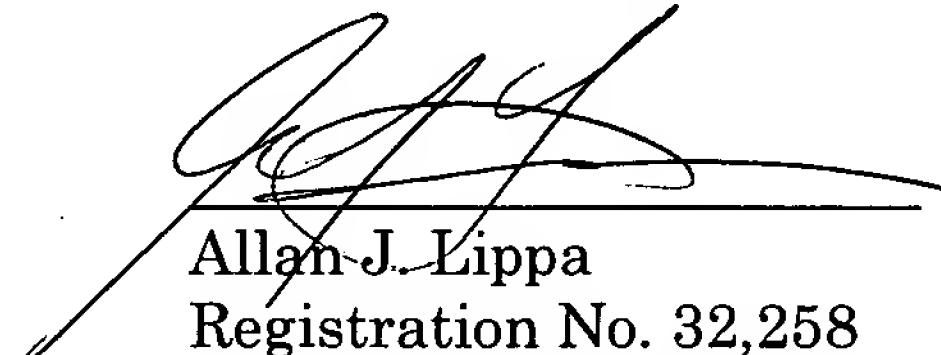
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Statement About Non-Receipt of Notice of Allowance

As responsible attorney, I have reviewed and examined my application file copy and find no evidence of receipt of the Notice of Allowance prior to the Notice of Abandonment for application 09/682,959. Submitted herewith is a true copy of the file jacket cover (electronic version) as attachment A.

Respectfully submitted,



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